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Veterinary Questions and Answers

By S. H. McCLELLAND, V.S.

Veterinary questions sent in by paid-up subscribers will be answered by our graduate veterinarian in this section.

Examination Only Sure Method

J.G., Alliance.—Can a cow come in heat that has been bred? How can I tell if she has been bred?

Ans.—Yes, a cow can be pregnant and still come in heat. This is due to some disturbance of the normal reproductive cycle. The only way to determine definitely in the early months of pregnancy would be to have your Veterinarian examine the reproductive organs for the presence of a fetus.

Head on One Side

C.S., Alix.—One of my pigs runs around most of the time with his head held to one side. What would be the cause of this? Sometimes he acts like it caused him pain.

Ans.—This pig may have a barley awn or some other foreign object in his ear. Filling the ear with a bland oil sometimes helps if the ear drum is not penetrated.

Starting Feed for Young Pigs

R.S., Peace River.—What would you advise as a starting feed for young pigs?

Ans.—Rolled oats or hulled oats make a good starting feed for sucking pigs. Put them in small pans or troughs, behind creeps and let them help themselves. They won't eat many at first, but they are about the ideal feed, as they carry just about the right amount of protein and digest well.

British Yards Building 55% World's Shipping

The tonnage of merchant shipping under construction throughout the world at the end of June, 1946, totalled 3,277,225 tons, gross, of which about 55 per cent, or 1,764,943 tons gross is being constructed in British shipyards. This is the greatest tonnage of work in hand in Britain since 1922.

Elect Pool Delegates

In the twelve Alberta Wheat Pool sub-districts in which elections for delegates were held, the winners were as follows:

A-10, T. S. Montgomerie, Hilda.
B-6, O. Rosenberger, Balzac.
C-2, H. G. Hansen, Carolside.
C-6, Emile Cammaert, Rockyford.
C-10, H. L. Taggart, Olds.
D-4, Edward Nelson, Craigmyle.
D-8, Mark Armstrong, Lacombe.
D-10, Alfred B. Haarstad, Bentley.
F-10, Alfred Letourneau, St. Paul.
G-2, Sydney Alexander, Boyle.
G-8, Arnold Burgess, Beaverlodge.
G-10, W. H. McAuley, Fairview.

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RURAL CO-OPERATORS OF AMERICA HOLD CONVENTION

East Realizing Dependence on Western Crops

MORE ALIVE TODAY TO IMPORTANCE OF GRAIN AND STOCK

**Stoppages in Production Due to
Industrial Disputes Threaten
Farm Interests**

FAO CONFERENCE OPENS

**Gardiner to Discuss Beef, Eggs
and Other Agreements With
British Ministry**

By M. McDOUGALL
(Special to *The Western Farm Leader*)

OTTAWA, Sept. 4th.—The keen interest felt in the East over the news of the condition of Western crops is a clear indication of the change that has come in recent years. Eastern Canadians are increasingly aware to what an extent their economy and prosperity depend on Western crops, to what extent grain and livestock production affect Canadian economy as a whole, and general employment.

It is recognized here as particularly unfortunate that when there is the prospect of better crops in every direction in Canada, particularly in grain producing areas, and when there is already such a shortage in essential commodities (clothes for example and household necessities) there should occur the present partial and threatening paralysis of production due to the disputes between the big industrial employers and their employees which have led to strikes. With good crops and assured domestic and foreign markets for agricultural produce, the most favorable opportunity seemed to be given for the rehabilitation of both Western and Eastern Canada. There will unquestionably be repercussions of the stoppage of production affecting the general economy, on the whole agricultural community.

FAO Conference

The FAO conference opened at Copenhagen, Denmark, on September 2nd and will continue until the 13th. The Canadian delegate, Hon. J. G. Gardiner, his alternate Dr. Barton, Deputy Minister, with Dr. Archibald and other officials, will at the close of the conference go to London and will there discuss with the British Ministry of Food the extension of food agreements (beef, eggs and other products). The Agricultural Minister will return to Canada about the 24th September, and the other members of the Canadian party will be back about the end of the month. The delegates at the FAO meeting will unquestionably receive very valuable information of the general agricultural situation on the continent and elsewhere, and this is of great importance at a time when world trade in agricultural products will progressively advance to a basis of keen competition. One of the things they will learn at first hand is the extent to which bacon production in Denmark is dependent on feed grains

His Government Seeks Re-election



On September 28th, the Labor Government of the Commonwealth of Australia, headed by Prime Minister Joseph Benedict Chifley (above), will appeal to the electorate in a general election. The party, with John Curtin as Premier, came into power during critical days in the early part of the war. On Mr. Curtin's death, Mr. Chifley was chosen as his successor. Opposing the Government are the Country Party, headed by Arthur Fadden, campaigning jointly with the Liberal Party, led by Robert Menzies, a former Premier.

Stress Urgent Need for Action to Meet Shortage Machinery and Repairs

In view of the pressing problem faced by Alberta farmers, President George E. Church of the U.F.A. last week-end wired Hon. J. G. Gardiner, Minister of Agriculture: "Farmers are unable to purchase new machinery and repairs for old equipment impossible to obtain. Situation desperate with large crop to harvest. Strongly urge prompt action be instituted to relieve intolerable situation."

The U.F.A. also urge all members to protest to their Federal representatives against the inclusion of the 1945-46 wheat crop in the Government's proposed five-year pool, as "in the event of crop losses or a sharp decline in wheat prices this plan would impose a heavy loss on farmers."

from this continent. (From all accounts it appears pretty evident that the quality of Danish bacon is still far from up to standard.)

On the general food situation the speech from the throne at the close of the parliamentary session on August 31st said: "Of international problems, the world shortage of food has caused the greatest immediate concern. It is a source of gratification to the people of Canada to know that

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Non-Delivery Strike Called by A.F.U.

To begin at midnight, September 6th, a non-delivery strike will be called by the Alberta Farmers' Union, Carl J. Stimpfle, president, announced following a board meeting in Edmonton on Sunday. Mr. Stimpfle said that discussions of the A.F.U. delegation with Cabinet Ministers at Ottawa last week, when demands were made for a fact-finding board on parity prices, were "not successful". Expressing regret that strike action was necessary, Mr. Stimpfle said: "We were prepared to accept the \$1.55 a bushel in the new wheat agreement with Britain, but we wished to have a government guarantee that they would not raise the price on machinery, oil and other farm commodities. They would not give us any such assurance." The A.F.U. have reiterated their demands in a telegram to Prime Minister Mackenzie King. When the strike begins, said Mr. Stimpfle, farmers would be instructed to deliver essential foods to hospitals; the question of milk deliveries for town and country residents has not been decided, he said.

Since the end of the war, 40,000 houses have been built in the United Kingdom.

LEADERS IN MANY FIELDS ADDRESS CO-OP. GATHERING

**"World Peace Hampered by Competition and Promoted by Co-operation," States
A. B. MacDonald**

CONVENTION HIGHLIGHTS

**"Economic Security With Liberty"
Aim Set Forth at Great
Gathering in Indiana**

By THOMAS L. CLEARY,
Editorial Director

(Special to *The Western Farm Leader*)

WEST LAFAYETTE, Ind.—Co-operation as a means of maintaining economic security by democratic action with individual liberty in the choice and production of farm crops, highlighted the talks given at Purdue University at the five-day session of the American Institute of Co-operation, August 26th to 30th.

Audiences Up to 1800

Speaking to groups ranging upward to 1,800 were such nationally known speakers as Chester C. Davis, Claude R. Wickard, E. G. Nourse, H. E. Babcock, and W. I. Myers of the United States. They stressed the fundamental need of a sound agriculture to national stability and the need for intelligent co-operation to bring this about.

International aspects and needs for co-operation were discussed by Father M. M. Coady of Antigonish, Nova Scotia, and A. B. MacDonald of Ottawa, Ontario. Pierre Gillouard of Beaugrenier-Montjavel, France, discussed co-operative problems in France.

Must Dispel Want and Fear

World Peace is hampered by competition and promoted by co-operation, declared A. B. MacDonald, General Secretary of the Co-operative Union of Canada. "How can man possibly dispel war unless he means to dispel want and the fear of want that breed war?" he asked. "Co-operation between nations is a fantastic dream unless it presupposes co-operation between men. But it is difficult for man to co-operate with his neighbor when the whole economic tradition and code of economic morals has taught him that he must compete to survive. The answer is simple and clear, and every man knows it in his heart. The answer is that competition for the necessities of life must be condemned forever, and men as well as nations must practice the art of co-operation."

This is partly a question of habit, Mr. MacDonald concluded, so that "when men learn and practice the technique of SHARING, with the same zeal they now practice the

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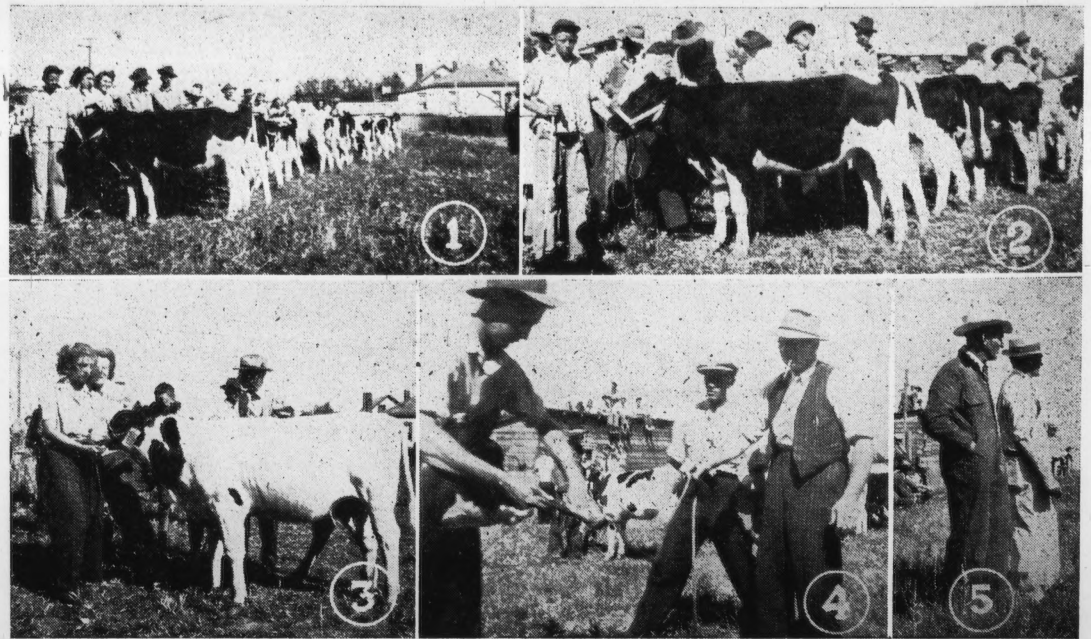


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CALF CLUB FIELD DAYS

By THE FIELDMAN

Interest in the work of our Calf Clubs in this Province is steadily growing. The more it grows, the higher will be the standards of the Dairy Industry in years to come, and the larger the financial returns it will yield to the producer.

It is always a special pleasure, for this and a great many other reasons, to attend the Calf Club Field Days, and your Fieldman is glad to present the following notes on two such days—at Bowden and Elnora—together with a few reproductions of snapshots taken at Elnora.

With a bright sun shining and a splendid attendance, the Elnora Dairy Calf Club held their first annual field day on Monday, August 19th, at Elnora.

Thirteen Holstein calves were in competition, and the quality and finish of these calves gave the judge, Vic Bjorkland, a very difficult task.

Places Winners

Judging carefully, Mr. Bjorkland placed the winners as follows:

1. Holstein Heifer Calf fitted and shown by Ray Page.
2. Holstein Heifer fitted and shown by Eleanor Hogg.
3. Holstein Heifer fitted and shown by Edna Holme.

The general showmanship prize was awarded to Gordan McFee.

The Dairy Commissioner, D. H. McCallum, the Supervisor of Boys and Girls Clubs Mr. Black, and the District Agriculturist, A. Bratvold, were present, and each spoke to the gathering at the meeting held upon the conclusion of the judging.

Pool Entertains Children

There was a crowded meeting held in the Community Hall after the field day and the C.A.D.P. entertained the children with a series of films.

For the grown-ups, the film "The Science of Milk Production" was shown and brought forth many appreciative remarks. Jim Wood of Elnora acted as chairman.

Ian McCook, who is the organizer of the Elnora Calf Club, is to be congratulated upon the very splendid showing made by his club and for the admirable arrangements which made everything so enjoyable.

The Red Deer Municipal District had a travelling weed recognition exhibit on display, which attracted much attention.

BOWDEN FIELD DAY

Saturday, August 17th was the annual field day of the Bowden Dairy Calf Club.

A fair attendance watched the judging, which was done by Mr. Vic

AT ELNORA FIELD DAY

Above are reproduced a few snapshots taken by "The Fieldman": 1. Nineteen calves lined up for judging at the Elnora Dairy Calf Club's Field Day. 2. The Champion calf, shown by Ray Page. 3. The second placed calf, shown by Eleanor Hogg. 4. Dairy Commissioner D. A. McCallum and District Agriculturist A. Bratvold lend a hand. 5. President of the C.A.D.P. Jim Wood and Manager Ian McCook.

Bjorkland, assisted by Mr. Black, Supervisor of Boys and Girls Calf Clubs.

The Winners

The winners were:
Dairy Calves: 1 John Meson;
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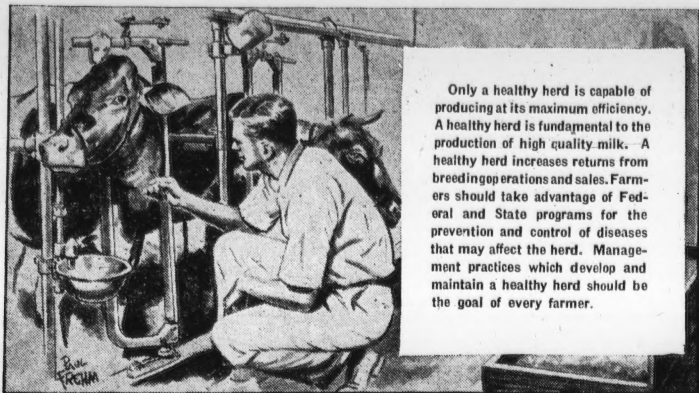
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WHAT MAKES A COW TICK?

By A. C. BALTZER, in *Michigan Milk Messenger*

The author of the following most interesting article is the Extension Dairyman for Michigan State College, East Lansing:

What makes a cow tick? Farmers love to watch a race horse move down the track. Speed and stamina are co-ordinated with muscles to such a degree of perfection that a real horse race is always a thrilling spectacle.

With cows this spectacle is never present, because the animal accomplishes her feat of production in an entirely different manner. To the farmer there still remains the sense of an animal performing marvellously when she converts volumes of feed

into such a finished product as milk, Nature's most nearly perfect food.

Michigan dairymen have fed millions of cows in the past generation but probably few years have Michigan cows performed better than they did in 1945. For eleven months out of twelve, every month's total milk production exceeded the same month for 1944. Not alone did cows produce well but they produced more economically than usual in that much of the production resulted from feeding roughage. Grain mixtures in many cases were very simple.

Interesting Variations

Analysing alfalfa hay grown by Michigan dairymen shows some interesting variations and may account for fluctuations in milk production. The Experiment Station, Michigan State College, has made analyses from hay samples which were gathered from several hundred Michigan farmers representing roughage grown in the last few years from all sections of the state. In some cases the protein content varied from a low of five per cent to a high of nineteen per cent. Similarly the trace mineral elements like phosphorus, iron, copper, cobalt, varied by several hundred per cent. This variation in food and mineral value of the roughage had a great influence on the productivity of the cow and also her general health and reproductive function. More and more dairy farmers are beginning to realize that it is essential to feed the soil in order to have the crop which feeds the cow and allows her to make nutritious and wholesome milk.

(To Be Continued)

Improper Threshing May Ruin Malting Barley

Improper threshing may ruin a crop of malting barley, states a circular by the National Barley Contest Committee. If, during threshing, many peeled, broken or frayed kernels are observed, immediate adjustments should be made. Damage may be caused by too high speed of cylinder; irregular speed of tractor engine when combine is driven with power take-off; excess end-play in cylinder; too many concaves, etc.

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The Special Products Board has announced that it will buy in carlot quantities, for the British Ministry of Food, all available surplus of specified grades of dressed chicken and fowl, paying 1-1/2 cents per pound below the ceiling-price at inland shipping points.

C.A.D.P. Meetings

Showing the Dairy Film "The Science of Milk Production"

Aspen Beach Hall, Monday, Sept. 9th; Spruceville Hall, Tuesday, Sept. 10th; Lincoln Hall, Wednesday, Sept. 11th; Arbordale Hall, Thursday, Sept. 12th; Woodynook, Friday, Sept. 13th.

Plan to attend.

Watch for further dates and places.

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2 Bob Brewster; 3 Keith Charlton. Yearling Heifers—1 Keith Charlton; 2 Ken Buxton; 3 Mary Keinart. Two-Year-Old Holsteins.—1 Keith Charlton; 2 Keith Charlton; 3 Jim Brewster.

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AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF CO-OPERATION

The increasingly important role which co-operation is playing in the economic life of the United States was demonstrated last week at West Lafayette, Indiana, when the American Institute of Co-operation held its sessions. We are glad to be able to present to our readers the despatch by Thomas L. Cleary, Editorial Director, printed in this issue, in which these proceedings are reported.

Leaders in public affairs of national standing attended and took part in the discussions, and endorsed in the most downright way the cause of co-operation and the work of the Institute. That organization, as the reports show, is especially concerned with the development of co-operation among the farm people. * * *

The attendance of guests from Europe, Asia and Africa, as well as from Canada, gave to the gathering an international character. A. B. MacDonald, General Secretary of the Co-operative Union of Canada, in his address, laid strong emphasis on the bearing of co-operative practice upon the maintenance of world peace. He asked, "How can man possibly dispel war unless he means to dispel the want and the fear of want that breeds war?" and he added, "Co-operation between nations, is a fantastic dream unless it presupposes co-operation between men."

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SHAMEFUL RECORD

Towards certain of her veterans who fought with distinction in the front line during World War I, the behavior of Canada has been infamous. The story of what has been done, as it becomes known, must make every decent Canadian hang his head in shame.

We present one instance, from information given in a recent issue of *Saturday Night* of Toronto. It is the case of a member of the Princess Pats who was twice wounded and was made a sergeant during his period of service. This veteran had nineteen acres of land in British Columbia, a two-storey home, an electric hatchery and chicken houses for 2,500 fowls.

He has been advised that this property (from which he had been removed during the war) has been sold for \$1,404.28, and that he has a credit of \$39.02 after deduction of taxes and other obligations. He has written the Minister of Labor in part as follows:

"At the age of sixty years I have only the sum of \$39.02 to show as the fruits of my thirty years' work. My four years on the battlefield, the heat and the dirt as well as the backbreaking toil of the twenty odd years on my land, have brought me nothing but doubt, fear, sense of insecurity, loneliness and tragedy in facing the last years of my life."

Is it actually possible that Canada can have behaved in such a scurvy fashion towards one who had served her so well? It is; and it has been done. Is there an "explanation"? Perhaps, after following us thus far, our readers will have guessed part of the answer. The veteran, whose name is Yasuji Shoji, is of Japanese ancestry. He is one of 34 survivors of the original 250 Japanese Canadians who served in the first World War. According to *Saturday Night*, these veterans, together with all other Japanese in British Columbia, "were removed from their homes and are now kept in camps; their homes have been sold at the usual forced-sale prices; all grants available to them as veterans have been cancelled; they are in all respects treated practically as if they were enemy aliens, and this without any inquiry into their individual behavior."

SANCTUARY

*Can one be poor who dwells in quiet hills,
Attuned to nature, steadfast and serene?
Who knows, the while his meagre field he tills,
His lot unchanged amid the changing scene?
Dim echoes rise from valleys far below
Of tortured spirits battling fire and flood;
And pestilence and death; and deeper woe
Where streets are darkly stained with children's blood.
Men wail their earthly treasures swept away,
And learn that living but to get and spend
Is as the passing of a troubled day,
With stupor and confusion at its end.
In quiet hills, I ask, can one be poor
Knowing his course against such ill secure?*

ISA GRINDLAY JACKSON.

Some of these Japanese veterans served in the unit which happened to be our own. Perhaps on this account, we resent their being made the victims of this unbelievably shabby treatment—treatment which in effect is a mean form of robbery—even more intensely than we might otherwise have done. But we do not think indignant disapproval of such governmental action as has been taken in the name of all Canadians could be too strong. We hope that our readers will make their views known to their representatives in Parliament and to the Dominion Government; and that they will demand redress for Mr. Shoji and all the other veterans of Japanese origin who have been similarly robbed.

The Toronto publication we have quoted states editorially: "This is merely an example of the kind of thing that inevitably results from legislative or executive action directed against people merely on the ground of their racial origin and without the slightest inquiry into their individual behavior."

"Here is a man who fought for this country from 1914 to 1918, and against whom there is no shred of evidence of any subsequent disloyalty, who has been completely ruined as the result of the anti-Japanese prejudices of some people in British Columbia and their political backers in other parts of Canada—among whom there are plenty who were quite competent to fight alongside Mr. Shoji in 1914-18 but omitted to do so."

At least this blot on the good name of Canada must be erased.

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BRITAIN SACRIFICES TO FIGHT FAMINE

There are signs that the storm that was raised in Britain when Food Minister the Rt.-Hon. John Strachey introduced bread rationing, will be remembered in history (if remembered at all) as a storm in a teacup. Damage suffered by British crops due to unseasonable weather demonstrated to most of the public the wisdom of the precautions taken by the Government to safeguard the bread supply pending new deliveries from overseas.

The reason why Britain has had "only about 8 weeks' supply of wheat in the pipeline", is that up to last June Britain had sent from stock or diverted from incoming supplies nearly two million tons of foodstuffs to continental Europe. Britain's power thus to contribute to the fighting of famine on the continent was increased by rationing and by raising the wheat flour extraction rate from 80 to 90 per cent, and by other drastic measures. The result was that in three weeks Britain saved 109,000 tons of flour—slightly more than the average total consumption for one week in the first half of the year.

The Western Farm Leader LEGAL DEPARTMENT

By HON. J. E. BROWNLEE,
K.C., LL.D.

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OTTAWA LETTER

(Continued from page 3)

our country has provided over one-fifth of the supply of food to relieve the greatest famine in human history. The Government has continued to give practical expression to the wholehearted desire of the Canadian people to relieve human suffering and to

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Fall Seeding of Grass

Fall seeding of grass in the drier regions of the prairies can be done successfully, it is reported from the Dominion Experimental Station at Scott, Sask. There should be some cover, such as stubble, or dead, annual weeds, but rye stubble is unsuitable because the volunteer grain competes too strongly against the young grass. Seeding can be done in early September if there is moisture; otherwise the period just before freeze-up, commencing about the third week of October, is recommended.

contribute to international tranquility."

Low World Wheat Stocks

Referring to the wheat agreement with the United Kingdom, the speech said this agreement, "with agreements for the marketing of other foodstuffs already in operation, will greatly assist the Government in its policy of maintaining stable prices for agricultural products". In connection with the world wheat situation, it is to be borne in mind that while the United States crop is unusually large and the Canadian crop at least well in excess of 400,000,000 bushels, the world stocks at the end of the crop year were estimated as the smallest since 1937 and only about one-fourth as large as the surplus in the period 1941-44.

More About Danish Bacon Contract

In relation to the British contract for bacon with Denmark, which has occasioned some comment in this country, the following points are to be considered: (1) During the period from April 1st to July 31st, 1946, the landed cost of Danish bacon was 4s 6d per cwt. under that of Canadian bacon; from August 1, 1946, to September 30, 1947, the landed cost of Danish bacon will be 5s 6d over Canadian bacon, while for the period from October 1, 1947, to December 31, 1947, the landed cost of Canadian bacon will be 2s higher than Danish bacon, and for 1948 the minimum guaranteed price for Canadian is 11s 3d above Danish bacon.

For the whole period to the end of 1948 the Canadian bacon brings a substantially higher price than the competing product from Denmark. The volume of export guaranteed for 1947 for Canadian bacon is 350,000,000 pounds and during 1948, 400,000,000 pounds, which is about the same as the Danish prewar volume and more than double the amount of Canadian bacon sold in Britain before the war. The prospect for the sale of Danish bacon is very considerably reduced.

Canadian Bacon Can Hold Market

The Danish bacon industry is obviously attempting to re-establish itself in the face of the difficulties which are confronting it after years of alien occupation. It remains for the future to disclose what success it will have. Whatever happens, it is quite apparent that Canadian bacon's position in the British market will be retained if the producers make sustained high quality their primary objective.

The recent purchase by the Holstein Friesian Cattle Society of 220 Canadian Holstein cattle at an average price of \$2,037 has set a record for this brand of cattle in this country. The cattle met the highest specifications ever established for any large scale export to Britain. The cattle are from Ontario, Manitoba and Alberta.

Development of Poultry Industry

Rationing of meats and general increased earnings have been factors in the considerable development of the poultry industry in Canada from before the war. There is a much larger consumption in the domestic market. Improvement in quality has been assured through the extension of grading at retail in many large centres, and there has been improvement in poultry killing, cooling and freezing facilities. New plants have been built and old plants made over with modern efficient processing equipment. There are now 200 plants with processing capacity of 322,000 birds a day.

Who Speaks for You, Mr. FARMER?

The Northwest Line Elevator Association (according to their own brief) "have taken all means available to them" and have made "six years of unremitting effort" to get the Pools taxed, and have continually criticized the Pools and the Federal government but the example set by the Pools has been of benefit to growers delivering to other elevators.

LINE ELEVATOR ASSERTIONS:

The line elevators' statement:

"On November 25, 1941, the United Grain Growers Limited, faced with the necessity of meeting the policy of competition thus initiated by the Pools, in turn declared a patronage dividend of \$200,000."

More farmers apparently benefited according to Section 29 of the line elevators' brief:

"On August 24, 1942, the association again wrote the commissioner of Income Tax a letter calling his attention to the correspondence exchanged with him on the subject of patronage dividends commencing with the association's letter of November 17, 1941, pointing out that several elevator companies had been obliged to meet the competition of the Pools by making payments of the nature of a patronage dividend and concluding with the following paragraph:

"As your department has had this matter before it now for some months we would appreciate it greatly if you would advise us as to whether or not you have reached the point of issuing a ruling which we could pass on to our member companies."

And Section 32:

"On October 31, 1942, the association interviewed the minister of finance and laid before him figures showing the extent to which patronage dividend payments were paid out of money which otherwise would have gone to the government in taxes and advised the minister that a number of the line companies had been forced during the current year to pay patronage dividends in order to meet the Pool competition."

The line elevators feel that they have made an exhaustive effort to have the Pools taxed and that nothing has been left undone that might achieve that end.

Section 51 states that:

"After six years of unremitting effort on the part of the association and its members the Pools are still enjoying practical immunity from the taxation bearing so heavily on their competitors and will continue to do so for as long as the failure to enforce the law is permitted to continue."

WHEAT POOL COMMENT:

The line elevators have used all the strength they could muster to persuade the Federal government to tax the Pools, and this support has not been denied.

Farmers delivering to the "several elevator companies" can now understand the unusual practice of line companies paying patronage dividends.

Payment of patronage dividends by line companies is so unheard of that they thought even the Minister of Finance should know about it.

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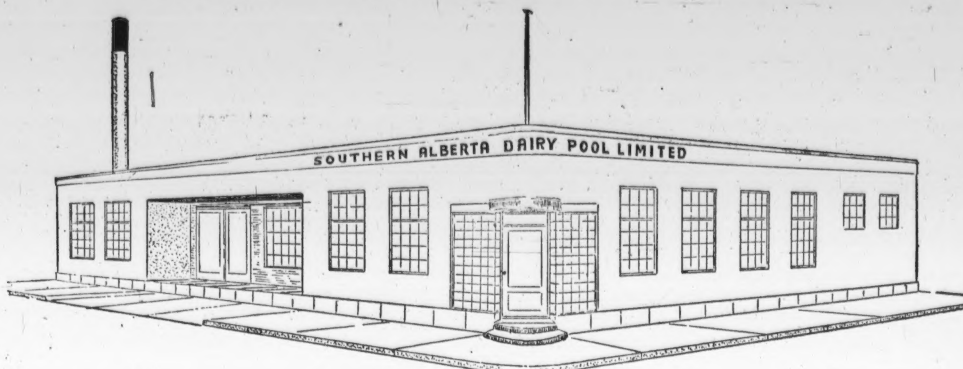
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SOUTHERN ALBERTA DAIRY POOL SECTION



THE NEW PLANT AT BROOKS

Brooks Branch to Open on September 17th

Manager Toppenberg Stresses Value of Greatly Improved Service to Shippers in District

The gratifying news that the new branch creamery which has been built for the Southern Alberta Dairy Pool at Brooks will be opened on Saturday, September 17th, was received by The Western Farm Leader from Chris Toppenberg, Manager of the Pool, just before this issue of the paper went to press. Final arrangements were made by Mr. Toppenberg during a visit to Brooks a few days ago.

Originally, Mr. Toppenberg expected to take place at an earlier date, but planned to *The Leader*, it had been the general shortage of materials hoped that the opening might and the difficulty experienced in

securing equipment caused delay. Happily, these difficulties were all finally overcome, much to the satisfaction both of the management and of shippers who will benefit as the result of the opening of the new plant.

As evidenced by the drawing at the head of this page—this excellent drawing, by the way, was made by Mr. Toppenberg himself—the new branch creamery contains all that is modern in creamery design. We may add that it is fully equipped to render the kind of service that the producers of the district to be served have so long been wanting.

Up-to-date Plant in Every Respect

The building has a frontage of 70 feet and a depth of 52 feet. It is of frame and stucco construction, and of the most attractive appearance. It contains a butter manufacturing plant of the most up-to-date design, equipped with "the last word" in refrigeration facilities.

Provision is also being made in this building for the handling of eggs and poultry, for which service it is provided with a modern egg grading machine.

Development Is Response to Popular Request

"For a long time," Mr. Toppenberg stated, "the cream producers of the Eastern Irrigation District have lacked co-operative facilities for the marketing of their products. For many years they have been pressing for steps to be taken to provide such facilities, and it was in response to this general desire that the Southern Alberta Dairy Pool decided to carry out the expansion of their facilities which has now been completed.

"It is of interest to note that as long ago as 1938 many farmers of the district expressed a strong wish that they might be able to patronize the S.A.D.P. without being under the necessity of shipping the long distance to Calgary. Now at last we are able to offer this service, and it is to be hoped that the producers within reach of the plant at Brooks will give it their loyal patronage.

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"The Pool has appointed as its branch manager at Brooks Mr. J. Dionne, who has had many years of active work with the Dairy Pools in Alberta—a period of service, I may say, which has only been interrupted by the six years which Mr. Dionne spent overseas with the Canadian army. He served in the bitterly fought Medi-

An Appreciation

Hussar, Alta.,
August 4th, 1946

Southern Alberta Dairy Pool, Calgary.

Dear Mr. Toppenberg:

I just finished reading the report of the Annual Meeting of the S.A.D.P. in *The Western Farm Leader* and would kindly ask you to convey to the Editor, a delegate's appreciation and pleasure in the accurate, thorough and extensive report of the proceedings of that meeting. Even those who did not have the privilege and benefit of attending could get a clear and precise bird's-eye view of the many and varied activities, as well as the important role the S.A.D.P. plays in the agricultural and commercial sphere of this Province.

The contributions made by the Editor of *The Western Farm Leader* to the development, maintenance and building up of Co-operative enterprises in Alberta in general, but particularly to the Dairy Pools, is well known, keenly recognized and warmly appreciated by all those who are working, striving and hoping for the attainment of that ideal expressed over 2000 years ago by that great Teacher of Nazareth: "I have come that you may have Life and have it more abundantly."

Yours truly,
FERD. J. MULLER.

terranean campaign, and rose from the ranks to become a Quarter-master Sergeant.

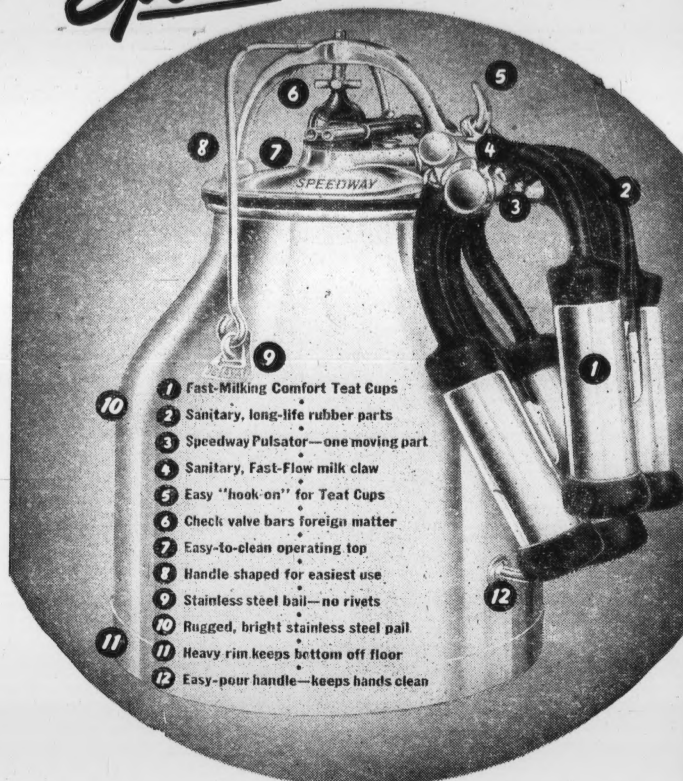
"It is my sincere hope that as many of the producers as possible will call at the plant to inspect our equipment and to make personal contact with the manager. I might add that Mr. Dionne is thoroughly conversant with and devoted to co-operative principles, and that he will welcome every opportunity that shippers are willing to provide, to put these principles into practice, by giving of the best that is in him in the service of our Pool membership."

"The Board of Directors of the Southern Alberta Dairy Pool," Mr. Toppenberg concluded, "gave very careful thought to the matter of establishing this new branch before proceeding with their plans and incurring the expenditure involved. They do, however, feel certain that the support this plant will be given by the producers in the district will fully warrant the expense and that this plant will further add to the economical operation of the Southern Alberta Dairy Pool, for the ultimate benefit of its members."

Perennial Wheat

New and successful developments in the raising of perennial wheat are reported by Russian scientists, according to *Foreign Crops and Markets*, issued by the U.S. Department of Agriculture. An experiment station has been set up under the supervision of Academician Nicolai Tsitsin, widely known for his achievements in hybridization and selection, at which the best varieties of winter and spring wheat and couch-grass hybrids will be tested and propagated. The station plans to sow as many as 1,000 specimens of Tsitsin perennial hybrids on its experimental fields this year. The problem of developing perennial wheat has now been solved, says Tsitsin. He points out that for two years perennial wheat has been giving quite high yields in the Moscow region. At present, he states, the Soviet Union has five kinds of perennial wheat, which give two and three harvests.

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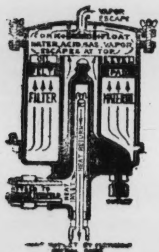
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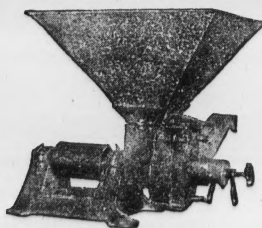
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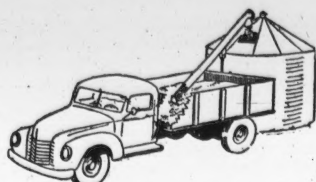
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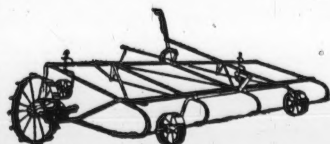
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POST-WAR CHRONICLE

Aug. 15th.—Canada grants amnesty to deserters. U.S. warships to cruise in Mediterranean. R.A.F. flier, Donaldson, sets unofficial record 626 miles per hour.

Aug. 16th.—For bombing Haifa railway shops, 18 young Jews of "Stern gang" sentenced to death. Many killed in Moslem "direct action day", Calcutta; (later reports give 3000 to 4000 as number).

Aug. 17th.—British government, steel industry agree on plans for reorganization; majority of plants to be nationalized in a few years; compensation expected to depend on efficiency.

Aug. 18th.—Twelve European countries to produce estimated total 830,000,000 bushels wheat; (average 1935-39, 1,115,567,000), U.S. Department of Agriculture reports.

Aug. 19th.—Yugoslavs fire on U.S. plane; one was forced down in Yugoslavia Aug. 9th, is report.

Aug. 20th.—Chinese Government threatens to attack Communist strongholds at Yen-an, Kalgan, Chengten.

Aug. 21st.—Yugoslav note admits shooting U.S. planes; says was "regrettable incident"; Tito protests "violations of frontiers." U.S. opposes Russian proposals for share in control of Dardanelles.

Aug. 22nd.—Yugoslavs free crews of U.S. planes forced down; Washington demands U.S. diplomats be permitted to investigate incidents.

Aug. 23rd.—Yugoslavia says U.S. ultimatum now irrelevant.

Aug. 24th.—Litvinoff replaced as deputy foreign minister, U.S.S.R. Montgomery lands Halifax for Canadian tour. Tito accuses U.S. of spying on fortifications along Italian-Yugoslav frontier.

Aug. 25th.—Moslem League refuses join in interim government of India, because majority of seats given to Congress Party; only Moslem member, Shafaat Khan, stabbed by opponents. Turkey rejects Russian proposals for joint control of Dardanelles; says United Nations will maintain security of straits. Washington says Yugoslavia has complied with ultimatum.

Aug. 26th.—Yugoslavia says 110 British and U.S. planes violated Yugoslav territory between August 10th and 20th. Wheat reserves everywhere "uncomfortably low", says Washington.

Aug. 27th.—Peace Conference adopts French proposal for committee to investigate disputes concerning Italian frontiers.

Aug. 28th.—U.S. naval force to visit Aegean. Nuernberg trials to conclude at end of week.

Aug. 29th.—Death sentence, 18 Jews of "Stern gang", remitted.

Aug. 30th.—Russia asks UN security council ascertain numbers and positions of Allied troops, positions Allied air and sea bases. Storms batter British crops.

Aug. 31st.—Nuernberg verdicts to be pronounced Sept. 23rd. Six White Russians convicted of plotting against U.S.S.R. for 25 years, in Japan and Manchuria, are executed. Peace conference agrees Romania to pay Russia \$300,000,000 in reparations.

Sept. 1st.—Greek plebiscite goes 70 per cent for return of monarchy. In Russian occupied Germany, Socialist Unity Party wins.

Sept. 2nd.—Nehru (president Congress party) sworn in as head of interim government of India; says five- and ten-year plans will be instituted for betterment of conditions; freedom "highest objective".

Sept. 3rd.—109 killed in Bombay riots, between Hindus, Moslems.

Sept. 4th.—Security Council agrees to hearing on Ukraine charge Greece, under British influence, is threat to world peace.

Urging continuance of the producer milk subsidy of 55 cents per 100 lbs. of whole milk, (its discontinuance after Sept. 30th had been announced) a C.C.F. motion in the House of Commons was carried last week by 69 votes to 41 in a free vote.

Correspondence

IN SYMPATHY WITH DEMANDS

Verdant Valley, U.F.A. No. 469,
Box 571, Drumheller.

Editor, *The Western Farm Leader*:

At a recent meeting of this Local I received instructions to forward you a copy of the following resolution:

"This Local wishes to go on record as being in sympathy with the demands of the A.F.U. non-delivery strike action program."

This matter was discussed at some length, and opinions varied as to the practical side of the question.

But all agreed that the propaganda value had some merit and might achieve something in the end.

And we felt justified in stating we were in sympathy with the demands which commit the Local to nothing definite and yet at the same time add a little weight to the propaganda for a better deal for the farmer.

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EDMONTON, Alta.—Since applications to date total 550, and more are arriving daily, while accommodation is limited to 400, many applicants for courses at the Alberta Schools of Agriculture at Olds and Vermilion which commence October 22nd, will have to delay their attendance for at least another year.

Priority of acceptance is being given by the committee which is reviewing applications, to the older applicants and to ex-servicemen with the required farm experience. The younger applicants, especially those at the minimum age of 17 years, have been advised that their applications will have to be held over for a year. They will be considered for the 1947-48 term.

Purpose of the schools is to provide training for farm young men and women whose life work will be farming and the establishment of farm homes.

INSTITUTE OF CO-OPERATION (Continued from page 3)

technique of COMPETITION, the world will wonder why wars were ever fought and man will have reached his greatest era of social development."

Women's Part in Movement

Women's part in the co-operative program was presented by Mrs. Vera McCrea Searles, Mrs. Clare Joslin, and Mrs. Ethan M. Clark of the Dairymen's League, New York City; Mrs. Charles W. Sewell of the American Farm Bureau Federation, Chicago; Mrs. Sarah Porter Ellis of Southern States Co-operative, Richmond, Va.; Gertrude L. Warren, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Washington, D.C.; Mrs. Juliet Fleischi of the Farmers' Union of Washington, D.C.; Miss Lois M. Clark of the National Educational Association, Washington, D.C., and Miss Margaret Grobman of Pure Milk Association, Chicago.

Albert P. Stewart of Purdue University made a hit in the entertainment program with his music festival in the 6,208-seat Hall of Music. Exactly 1,162 persons took first servings at the beef-chicken barbecue, served by faculty members in the Purdue stadium, and most went back for seconds or thirds.

Has International Character

Actual registrations totalled 971 not including many hundreds of daytime visitors who thronged to the nine general meetings, four early morning meetings and 46 group meetings. They came principally from 40 of the 48 states and the District of Columbia with representatives from other countries in North and Central America, Europe, Africa and Asia.

Tours, teas and amusements were held according to schedule. Tours covered the Engineering School, which houses the atom-smashing cyclotron; the poultry, livestock and experimental farms of the University; and the housing research project.

President Frederick L. Hovde of Purdue University set the keynote to the Institute session in which he called it a broad, comprehensive and detailed five-day program in adult education. He noted that the program had captured the interest and imagination of a tremendous number of free American citizens, that it covered a diversified and extensive series of economic and social experiments called "co-operatives".

Reincarnation of the co-operative movement in the enlarged program of the American Institute of Co-operation should "not merely signalize the resumption of sessions after the war-time interruption," asserted Dr. E. G. Nourse, newly appointed chairman of the Economic Advisory Committee under the Full Employment Act.

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Urge Rationing of Soap and Lard--Belief Shortage Due to Hoarding--Wire Gordon

Rationing of soap and lard as a means of making these commodities available to housewives is strongly urged in a telegram sent this week to Donald Gordon, Chairman of the Wartime Prices and Trade Board, by George E. Church, President of the U.F.A.

The adoption of rationing would benefit rural and urban housewives; but it is the rural people, of course, who are at present at a special disadvantage in their efforts to buy these products.

Mr. Church's wire read as follows: "Feeling is widespread that much of shortage of soap and lard is due to unnecessary buying and hoarding. Many rural and urban housewives unable to shop daily. Strongly urge rationing of these products to assure equitable distribution."

About ten per cent of the farm wealth of the Netherlands was destroyed by the Nazis.

"Thy Need Greater Than Mine"

PRAGUE, Czechoslovakia.—A large shipment of vegetables, given by Czechoslovakia to UNRRA, has been distributed in Austria. Poland declined the offer of half these supplies in favor of Austria on the ground that the latter country was more in need of them, and that rolling stock was not

available in Poland to move them to districts where they would have been useful.

REGINA.—Construction of a 125,000 h.p. hydro-electric plant at Fort

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Keoma U.F.W.A. recently planned a shower for two newly arrived war brides, one from England and one from Holland.

Mrs. Powell, of Bassano, was guest speaker at a recent meeting of Rainier U.F.W.A., and later, final plans were made for the Horticultural Fair sponsored by this Local.

Mrs. Winifred Ross spoke on her recent trip through the Peace River, and Mrs. Roger Howes told of her experiences in China, at a recent meeting of Hillside U.F.W.A.

Interests of The United Farm Women

Good Wishes for the New School Year

Warwick Farm,
Edgerton, Alberta.

Dear Farm Women:

It is very probable that the thought of the near approach of the opening of the schools again is in the minds of many of you. Some, because your children are going as pupils; some, because you have reached the stage when it is your grandchildren who are keeping the subject very much alive for you. Still others, because some member of the family may be going as teacher instead of pupil. In fact in the country community nearly everyone is interested more or less, and sometimes the young men the more! And just here let me stop and say "All good wishes to everyone for the new school year."

No doubt there are some who will, because of their new situation, begin to have different viewpoints regarding teachers, their work, their pay, their position and responsibilities. It so often happens that our standards, our measuring rods, as it were, are different from those of the teachers or of others with whom we associate because we do not understand their set of values, their problems, their "measuring rods". In a sense our home, perhaps, set it for us all.

Scots and Nova Scotians

I well remember as a girl hearing my father comment on the subject and illustrate it. His home was in Nova Scotia. Now Nova Scotians are supposed to be even one degree more—well, shall we call it thrifty?—than the Scotch are they not? He said that when he was in the Western States with a fellow-worker, the latter had commented on some woman and her meanness. "She was so mean," said he, "that she even wiped out an egg when she broke it into a dish." This man had come from the more bountiful country-side of the Middle West. To him that habit was the essence of meanness. And my father added that he himself had never seen one broken that they did not do just that. And, by the way, I note that in the Save the Food campaign literature, reminders are given good housewives to do just that—very thing today.

But doesn't that one little homely incident show how hard our judgments can be at times and how unfair. It is the same with many habits we have; they are a matter of custom and for us they do not detract. I notice that, reading John Brown's Body, Benet says, "Smells are a matter of habit." We grow accustomed to them as well. Some, of the farm; smells of machinery and oil, or the animals and their feed, we may not notice with disgust, while the smell of the best of cigars might be repugnant.

But should not all this make us more tolerant, more kindly in our judgments, more ready to realize the actions, the motives of others may be just as sincere, just as honorable as our own. They use a different yard stick. And is that not a kindly doctrine to try and implant in the members of our own homes and exercise in our own judgments of the new pupils, new teachers, new people, who may come into our lives?

Yours sincerely,
H. ZELLA SPENCER.

"Suggestions for School Lunches" was the roll call topic at the last meeting of the Eclipse U.F.W.A. (Clive).

One layette has been completed and a second begun by Fairdorian Valley U.F.W.A. (Sedgewick). There was a good discussion following the reading of Mrs. Stetson's bulletin on the Composite High School.

Have Travelling Medical School in Czechoslovakia

PRAGUE, Czechoslovakia.—Lectures at University medical schools, visits to hospitals, and seminars in Prague and Brno, are included in the program of the "travelling medical school" of fourteen American physicians to bring Czechoslovakia doctors information on medical developments missed during Nazi occupation.

Farm Home and Garden

Pear Butter: Wash pears, and cook until quite tender, in as little water as possible; rub through a colander. Add half as much sugar as you have pulp, and cook until mixture is thick and clear. Constant stirring will be necessary, towards the last of the cooking, to prevent burning.

Plum Jelly: Crush thoroughly 4 pounds fully ripe plums (do not peel or pit). Add 1 cup water and (with prune plums) juice of 1 lemon. Bring

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to boil, cover, and simmer 10 minutes. Strain. Measure juice. To 4 cups add 7-1/2 cups sugar; bring to rapid boil, and add 1/2 bottle commercial pectin, stirring constantly; bring to boil again as quickly as possible, and boil one-half minute. Pour quickly into sterilized jars, and seal.

Green Tomato Pickle: Slice 4 quarts green tomatoes, 4 small onions, and 4 green peppers. Sprinkle with 1/2 cup salt and let stand overnight in a stone crock. Drain. Put 1 quart vinegar in preserving kettle with 1 level tsp. each black pepper, mustard seed, celery seed, cloves, allspice and cinnamon, and 3/4 cup sugar. Bring to boil, and add vegetables; cook slowly 30 minutes.

Mrs. W. L. Barker gave a talk on education for country children at the last meeting of Baintree U.F.W.A.

Miss Reta Carveth, of Victoria, B.C., gave a talk on Hearing Aids, to a recent meeting of Lower Beaverlodge U.F.W.A.

A very good paper on education was given by Mrs. H. Speers, writes Mrs. R. L. Bailey, reporting the last meeting of Namao U.F.W.A., and there was a lively discussion on the questionnaire. Mrs. T. Samis made a layette for the Local, and members intend to make several more when materials are available.

With the object of providing "more and better entertainment for our young people," Browning U.F.W.A. at a recent meeting, appointed Mrs. Taylor a delegate to confer with the local board of trade. Articles on Old Age Pensions and on cancer were read.

Women's Work Committee of Red Cross to Provide 39,000 Children's Clothing Outfits

During the coming winter, the National Women's Work Committee of the Canadian Red Cross Society plans to provide some 39,000 outfits of clothing for children up to 14 years of age, to be sent to Great Britain, other European countries, and China. In addition a sum of \$25,000,000 has been set aside by the Red Cross for purchase of some clothing which cannot be made, and for greatly needed household utensils. Women throughout Canada are being asked to assist, through the local Red Cross centres, in the sewing and knitting necessary to carry out this tremendous program.

Pollockville U.F.W.A. hope to arrange a series of first aid lectures by their district nurse. These ladies cleared \$61.38. from their summer picnic.

A bazaar of useful things, held in conjunction with the annual picnic, was a decided success, writes Mrs. D. Warren, secretary of Griffin Creek U.F.W.A. (Berwyn).

Junior News Items

Twenty-one members answered the roll call at the August meeting of Comich Junior U.F.A., held at the L. Anderson home. Plans were made for a swimming party, and for an evening party, to which Dalemead Juniors were invited as guests.

Byemoor Junior U.F.A. planned, at a recent meeting, to hold a Saturday night dance and, if it proved successful, to hold a weekly series of dances.

An outing to Kinbrook Island was recently arranged by Frolic Farmer Junior U.F.A. (Scandia), writes Betty Bloomquist, secretary.

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Mr. Farmer: If you, like most other farmers, are opposed to the 1945-46 crop being included in the 5-year pooling plan of the government, write or wire your federal member of Parliament and register your protest. Also, have your local U.F.A. send in a protest. Send a copy to Hon. J. L. ILSLEY, Minister of Finance, and to Hon. J. G. GARDINER, Minister of Agriculture.

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The Wheat Situation

By LEONARD D. NESBITT,
Superintendent of Publicity,
Alberta Wheat Pool

The first Government estimate of Canada's wheat production will be issued Sept. 12th. In the mean time a number of private estimates have been made. The Wheat Pools place the prairie wheat production at 440 million bushels, of which Alberta is expected to produce 149 million bushels, Saskatchewan 231 million and Manitoba 60 million. This is an increase of 158 million bushels over last year's production.

Allowing 20 million bushels as total production of Provinces outside the prairies, Canada's total wheat production this year may reach 460 million bushels. Adding thereto the production of the United States of 1,160 million bushels will give total supplies of new crop in Canada and the United States of 1,620 million bushels.

Food None Too Plentiful

This enormous production will go a long way towards alleviating famine conditions throughout the world. Nevertheless, food is none too plentiful, and authorities maintain that many nations will be living on a hand-to-mouth basis until after the 1947 harvest.

In Alberta, harvest is nearing completion in the southeast portion of the Province. Rain has delayed work in the fields in southwest and central Alberta, but fine weather has enabled a good start to be made in the north. Taking the Province as a whole, 43 per cent of the wheat was cut on August 31st and 11 per cent threshed.

INSTITUTE OF CO-OPERATION
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Need for Research Stressed

"It should, if it is to take its place in the march of the modern scientific world, become a carefully planned and adequately financed research organization, probing more deeply into the still unfathomed mysteries of what 'equitable association of farmers' (referring to Rochdale terminology) means in the political and economic sense, not alone to their own members but to the whole society of which they are a part and from which in the long run they can expect economic reward only in proportion as they render economic service."

Chester C. Davis challenged co-operative leaders to take an even more active part in the international leadership involved in helping other countries to gain higher standards of living. In turn, he pointed out, this would improve the ability of such countries to trade with the United States. It is in the immediate interests of the United States to modernize backward peoples, not merely by shipping supplies of food when famine threatens, but by furnishing them with the know-how to produce food in abundance to strengthen their ability to buy other goods from us.

(The concluding portion of Mr. Cleary's valuable report will be published in our next issue.)

Camrose U.F.W.A. recently heard reports from three members who attended the Olds Rest Week, and a paper on Composite High Schools by Mrs. McNary.

Donations of \$10 to the Institute for the Blind and \$25 to the Red Cross were voted at a recent meeting of Jenny Lind U.F.W.A. (Scandia). A talk by Mrs. Powell was much enjoyed, writes Mrs. Fay Sloan, secretary.

The last meeting of Iron Creek U.F.W.A. was saddened by the sudden death of one of their members, Mrs. Ernie Powell, reports Mrs. H. S. Peterson, secretary.

Livestock Markets Review

EDMONTON STOCKYARDS, Sept. 3rd.—Trading active throughout past week, prices generally steady. Receipts heavy. A few choice steers realized \$12.50 bulk good selling from \$12 down. Bulk good to choice heifers \$11 to \$11.50, cow market firm, choice cows selling \$8.50 to \$9.50, good \$8 to \$8.50. Bulls sold at \$8 to \$9.50. Stockers and feeders of good quality in fair demand; good steers \$9 to \$9.50, down to \$8; heifers \$7.50 to \$8.50. Veal calves steady, good to choice handyweights \$12 to \$13. Grade A hogs for shipment, \$20.50, at plants \$19.75. Sows live-weight \$13.75. Good handyweight lambs \$11 to \$11.50.

CALGARY STOCKYARDS, Sept. 3rd.—Hogs sold today \$20 Grade A, yards and plants; sows \$14.50 live-weight. Good lambs \$12, good ewes up to \$6.25. Cattle market fairly active, prices weaker in spots. Good to choice butcher steers, \$11.75 to \$12.50, down to \$9 for common. Good to choice butcher heifers \$10.75 to \$11.50, down to \$8 for common. Good cows \$8.75 to \$9.25, down to \$7 for common; canners and cutters \$4 to \$6.50. Good bulls \$9 to \$9.50, common to medium \$8 to \$8.75. Good to choice veal calves \$11 to \$12. Good stocker and feeder steers \$9.75 to \$10.50.

The Dairy Market

Butterfat locally is 38 cents, plus 10 cents subsidy; prints are 40 cents. Outside markets are at the ceiling: Toronto and Montreal 40 cents, Vancouver, 39-1/4. Production in this Province is holding up, week-by-week figures being well up to those for the same periods last year.

Although sugar production in South Africa has risen, exports have dropped, the annual per capita consumption having increased from 53 pounds in 1938-39 to 84 pounds in 1944-45.

New Herbicides

Several new chemicals have recently been added to the list of effective herbicides, and remarkable advances have also been made in the development of methods of application, writes Dr. F. J. Greaney, Director, Line Elevators Farm Service, in a recent bulletin. He classifies these chemicals under three heads. *First*, Contact Herbicides, which kill all vegetation and sterilize the soil for at least two years; these are invaluable for use on roadsides, along line fences, and for small patches of perennial weeds. They are, however, expensive for use over large areas. *Second*, Selective Chemicals, which, properly applied, will destroy certain broadleaved annual weeds without harming the crop plants. These are effective in controlling wild mustard, stinkweed, and other annuals. *Third*, Translocated Herbicides—growth-promoting substances, which not only affect the tissues to which they are applied, but are taken into the leaf and then translocated to the roots and other parts of the plant. They are effective, states Dr. Greaney, against many different kinds of weeds; both annual and perennial, and it is claimed that ordinary applications do not seriously affect cereals and grasses.

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MUSTARD AND CRESS

By SYDNEY MAY

Hello, Folks!

Li'l Goldilocks, our office vamp, tells us that the guy she's now going around with is a gentleman, if ever there was one—And that, says she, is about the correct number.

Nunno, Mary M., a fellow isn't necessarily musical just because he makes overtures.

Once upon a time, declares Knotty Frankie, there used to be four great "B's" in music.—Bach, Brahms and Beethoven. Since then, however, another must be added, to wit, Boogie-Woogie."

AUTO EPITAPHS

Here lies the body
Of Jonathan Dunne;
Raced a train to a crossing,
And the darned engine won.

We see that they're now selling perfumes called "My Sin" and "Tabu". But what puzzles us is how a fellow can tell which is which.

MY HEREAFTER

Do not come when I am dead
To sit beside a low green mound,
Or bring the first gay daffodils
Because I love them so,
For I shall not be there,
You cannot find me there.
I will look at you from the eyes
Of little children;
I will bend to meet you in the
swaying boughs
Of bud-thrilled trees,
And caress you with the passion-
ate sweep
Of storm-filled winds;
I will give you strength in your
upward tread
Of everlasting hills;
I will cool your tired body in the
flow
Of the limpid river;
Will warm your work-glorified
hands through the glow
Of the winter fire;
I will soothe you into forgetfulness
to the drop
Of the rain on the roof;
I will speak to you out of the
rhymes
Of the Masters;
I will dance with you in the lill
Of the violin;
I will make your heart leap with
the bursting cadence
Of the organ;
Will flood your soul with the
flaming radiance
Of the sunrise;
And bring you peace in the tender
rose and gold
Of the after-sunset.
All these have made me happy,
They are part of me;
I shall become part of them.
Juanita De Long.

An anonymous contributor sends us this one with the suggestion that you should repeat it next time you attend a cocktail party—"Most people can drink just as well sitting down as they can standing up. But, few people can stand up as well after they have been drinking sitting down as they can sit after drinking standing up."

An old police station at Strood Kent, has been turned into a public library. Ah, cells for best cellers, so to speak.

THIS IS TERRIBLE

Dear Syd:

She laughed when I sat down to play. How did I know she was so ticklish?

George Baker, N.Y.

Oh yes, and a postcard from the Bad Egg of Crow's Nest intimates that "the New England conscience does not keep you from doing anything; it merely prevents you from enjoying it."

TODAY'S DEFINITION

Wolf—A guy who thinks of women from sex to sixty.

L.P.S., Camrose.

A light Sussex hen belonging to a gent named Geary of Wakefield, Yorks, has laid an egg weighing eight ounces. That chicken must have been trying to beat the well known arithmetical problem: If a hen and a half laid an egg and a half in day and a half how many bricks would a brick-layer lay.

The ban on Irish wives joining their husbands and settling down in England has been lifted. "Come Back to Erin" can't be such a popular song as it used to be.

ISN'T IT THE TRUTH?

Cheshire clergyman says that five dollars a week is too much to spend on pleasure. If he lived over here he'd find out that there's no pleasure to be got out of spending five dollars a week.

It seems clear to Bill of Beiseker that attacks on Co-operatives have led to a tax on co-operation, but in the end Ottawa will find that they have put the ill in Illinois.

An Englishwoman who married an American soldier, gave him \$2500 to buy a house, but he bought a second hand car instead. She is now seeking a divorce because he expected her to live in it, sleeping in the back seat. We don't blame her. That guy ought to know that back seat drivers never go to sleep.

OO-LA-LA!

Re-elect Lamont President North-West Line Elevators Assn.

Cecil Lamont was re-elected President of the North-West Line Elevators Association, by the Board of Directors following the recent annual meeting; J. G. Fraser is Vice-President and General Manager and Dr. F. J. Greaney Director Line Elevators' Farm Service. Grain handling and storage charges in Canada are the lowest in the world, shareholders were advised. Formed in 1899, the Association now consists of owners of 3,400 country and terminal elevators with a combined storage capacity of 274,000,000 bushels.

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FARMERS' BULLETIN

RATION BOOK No. 6

September 9 to 16 is "distribution week" for Ration Book No. 6. Local papers and radio will carry the dates and places of distribution for each community and information can be obtained from nearest Local Ration Board. A member of a family, or a member of a community may collect the books for the family or for others in a community, provided he has Books No. 5 with the green RB-191 card at the back of each Ration Book properly filled out in ink by the individual bookholder. THIS CARD MUST NOT BE TORN OUT before presenting at the distribution centre, and all information thereon except the signature must be printed in BLOCK letters. Ration Book 5 will be returned together with the new Ration Book 6. Cards in books of children under 16 years of age should be signed by a parent or guardian.

An applicant on vacation may obtain his book from any distribution point but must take his Book No. 5 with him and have his regular address on card RB-191. This is the address to be given in each case regardless of where application is made.

If you do not pick up your Ration Book during the official distribution period—Sept. 9 to Sept. 16—you will find yourself temporarily without coupons coming due during the next two weeks. Eight coupons will become valid in Book 6 during September. 2 lbs. of sugar are being made valid on Sept. 19. To get them on time, be sure to obtain your Ration Book during Distribution Week. It will be impossible to mail ration books to latecomers before the end of Sept.

SUGAR FOR BEES

For spring feeding, an established beekeeper registered as a Primary Producer of honey, who has had to replace colonies destroyed with imported packaged bees, may be granted an allowance of 5 pounds of sugar for each package used as a replacement. Otherwise, a maximum of 15 pounds of sugar per colony will be granted in the Fall only.

No sugar may be granted to new entrants into the industry except to (1) ex-servicemen who wish to establish an apiary comparable to one given up on enlistment; (2) student veterans studying bee husbandry in Vocational Training classes who have one or two hives for practical experience.

PRICE CONTROL

Among articles no longer under price control are dishes for the serving of relishes or pickles, power-driven or horse-drawn lawn mowers, automobile light bulbs and reconditioned motor vehicle parts.

The following, however, are still under control: soya meal, pea meal, attaché cases, cream separator brushes, wooden fence posts, pickets and gates, brooms made from Missouri, Florida or other types of grasses, brooms made from fibre, horsehair, nylon bristle, broom corn, bassine, bahia bass and polmyra and mixtures of these materials, tableware designed for the serving of either drink or food made chiefly of china, porcelain, semi-porcelain, white granite, earthenware or glass, except stem or footed glassware.

PREMIUM QUALITY EGGS

Eggs considered equal to but not actually graded as A-1 may no longer be sold as "premium quality" which is now limited to grade A-1 eggs only. Also, this legend is for the exclusive use of persons who sold under this label in the basic period—September 15 to October 11, 1941. It is now required that "premium quality" eggs be marketed in cartons of one dozen eggs. In addition to markings required formerly, the words "Premium Quality Eggs" must appear on the sticker.

AUTOMOTIVE PARTS

The removal of the 11 per cent exchange rate and the war exchange tax of 10 per cent has reduced the importation cost on automotive parts from the United States. The importer's cost in Canada, therefore, should not be greater than the basic period price unless the cost in the United States shows an increase of approximately 25 per cent.

DRY, WHOLE, SPLIT PEAS

Prices of medium and small types of whole green peas have been fixed at the same level as for the blue variety of whole peas. The ceiling for the blue and green whole peas, therefore, will be on the same price basis as for the split types of peas.

TEMPORARY RATION CARDS

A new series of sugar coupons for temporary ration cards has been issued. These are green in colour and carry a buffalo design. Both "buffalo" and "beaver" coupons will be recognized as valid for the purchase of rationed foods until further notice. Temporary ration cards are for the use of tourists, Armed Forces or to replace lost ration books.

FARMERS' RATION COUPONS

	Butter	Meat	Sugar-Preserves
			RATION BOOK No. 5
Sept. 5.....	R-20	Q-3	—
Sept. 12.....	R-21	Q-4	—
			RATION BOOK No. 6
Sept. 19.....	—	M-51	S-26, 27, 28, 29, 30
Sept. 20.....	B-26	M-52	—

NOTE:—An additional 3 pounds of sugar per person has been allotted to household consumers during the remainder of 1946. Two extra coupons, therefore, become valid in September, and the remaining coupon on December 5. All coupons reported valid up to and including September 12 may be used until declared invalid.

For further particulars of any of the above orders apply to the nearest office of the Wartime Prices and Trade Board.

CANADA PACKERS LIMITED

REPORT TO SHAREHOLDERS

The nineteenth year of Canada Packers Limited closed March 28th, 1946. The following is a comparison of operations with those of the preceding year:—

	Year Ended March 1946	Year Ended March 1945	Decrease
Dollar Sales - - - -	\$ 208,997,520	\$ 228,398,111	8.5%
Tonnage—lbs. - - - -	1,526,000,000	1,698,000,000	10.1%
Net Profit, after Taxes and Depreciation, but before Inventory Reserve - -	1,816,781	2,405,811	24.5%
Net Profit, expressed as:—			
Percentage of Sales -	0.87%	1.05%	17.1%
Per lb. of product sold—	approx. 1/8c per lb.	1/7c per lb.	16.0%

(During each of the war years,—as explained in preceding Annual Reports,—a portion of the profit was set aside as Wartime Inventory Reserve. In year ended March, 1945, the amount set aside for this purpose was \$581,000. In total the sums so set aside amount to \$4,000,000. It is hoped this total will prove sufficient. Accordingly, in the year under review, no reserve has been set aside for this purpose.)

The share structure of the Company is:—

400,000 'A' Shares

which carry a cumulative preferential dividend of \$1.50 per Share.

800,000 'B' Shares

non-cumulative,
present dividend 50c per Share.

Net Profit (\$1,816,781) therefore is equivalent to:—

On 'A' Shares \$4.54 per Share.
On all Shares \$1.51 per Share.

The table below sets forth the record of the year's operations in terms of Sales.

Out of each Dollar of Sales there was paid:—

	This Year	Last Year
For Raw Materials, chiefly live stock - - -	81.33c	82.35c
For Expenses, consisting of wages and salaries, materials, packages, sundry charges and taxes	17.43	16.20
For Depreciation - - - - -	.40	.41
Total for Raw Materials and Charges - - -	99.16c	98.96c
The remainder, Profit on Operations, is - -	.84	1.04
Sundry Income, from Investments, etc. - -	.03	.01
Total available for Shareholders - - - - -	.87c	1.05c
Set aside for Wartime Inventory Reserve - -	—	.25
Net available for distribution - - - - -	.87c	.80c
Dividends paid - - - - -	.48	.39
Remainder out of each Sales Dollar, left in the business for its expansion and improvement	.39c	.41c

The operations of the Packing Industry are of importance to all groups of the community.

Inasmuch as meat is an essential food, the welfare of all citizens is involved,—as consumers. Their interest requires that the meats should be processed in the most palatable manner, and that all nutritional elements should be safeguarded.

(In respect of nutrition, exigencies of the war period have led to important advances. Food elements of high value are now being saved for human consumption, which formerly were used chiefly in feeds for live stock. Most of these are at present being shipped to Europe in the form of canned meats, and are being distributed through the UNRRA organization.)

Besides its interest as consumer, one group is specially interested on the economic side,—viz., the producers of live stock.

In the year under review, out of each sales dollar,
producers received - - - - - 81.33 cents

This is less than the return of the preceding year,
which was - - - - - 82.35 cents

The lower return to the producer* was due to an
increase in the cost of materials and wages:—

Last year - - - - - 16.20 cents

This year - - - - - 17.43 cents

The sum available for Shareholders is also reduced:—

Last year - - - - - 1.05 cents

This year - - - - - .87 cents

V-E Day was May 8th, 1945.

V-J Day was August 15th, 1945.

So that, at the close of the Company's fiscal year (March 28th, 1946), the war in Europe had been over 10½ months; that in the Pacific 7½ months. Nevertheless, conditions within the Food Industry were still being determined by factors deriving from war, more completely than in any war year proper.

The end of the war found world reserves of food at the lowest level of modern times. On the other hand, it threw upon the Allies the duty of feeding the populace of enemy as well as of allied countries.

The food so urgently needed had to come from the surplus-producing countries. Of these, Canada is one of the chief.

No one would claim that Canada has done all possible to cope with this food crisis. In a world in which hundreds of millions are undernourished, and in which scores of millions are living on the verge of starvation, consumption of food in Canada is at a higher level than ever before.

This is not due to indifference.

In a country where food is abundant, it is easy to forget that, thousands of miles away, food is scarce. Besides, Canada is herself feeling the pinch of scarcity in certain foods, especially edible fats and sugar. This fact tends to obscure her overall abundance.

Canada's contribution has been substantial. She has curtailed (by rationing) her consumption of certain foods—especially meats and butter. And in total very large quantities of foods have been shipped to Great Britain and Europe.

*Footnote.

Although the Producer received a less percentage of the Packer's Sales Dollar, nevertheless the actual prices paid for live stock were higher; as appears from the following table:—

	Average Prices for Month			
	March, 1939	March, 1945	March, 1946	July, 1946
Good Steers, live, Toronto - - -	6.78	11.54	12.12	13.22
Hogs, B-1 dressed, Toronto - - -	12.25	19.42†	19.35†	21.87†
Lambs, live, Toronto - - - - -	9.10	14.92	14.94	16.91
Eggs, 'A' Large, Toronto - - - -	21½	35	35	46
Creamery Butter, Toronto - - - -	21½	43½†	44½†	48½†
Cheese, f.o.b. factory, Ontario - -	11	26½†	26½†	26½†

†Prices of Hogs, Butter and Cheese include Federal and Provincial subsidies.

For the year 1945, these shipments included:—

Bacon - - - - -	447,000,000 lbs.
Other Pork products - - -	10,000,000 lbs.
Beef - - - - -	184,000,000 lbs.
Cheese - - - - -	133,000,000 lbs.
Canned Meats - - - - -	95,000,000 lbs.
Mutton and Lamb - - - -	7,000,000 lbs.
Evaporated Milk, Milk Powder and Condensed Milk - - -	25,000,000 lbs.
Shell Eggs - - - - -	60,000,000 lbs.
Dried Eggs - - - - -	24,000,000 lbs.
Canned Fish - - - - -	57,000,000 lbs.

1,042,000,000 lbs. — 521,000 tons

The above is the list of 'protective' foods. Canada's major contribution in 1945, however, was in the form of cereals. Shipments of these were:—

		Tons
Wheat - - -	181,300,000 bushels	5,438,000
Oats - - -	13,400,000 bushels	228,000
Barley - - -	4,000,000 bushels	97,000
Flour - - -	9,900,000 barrels	970,000

6,733,000 tons

Grand Total - - - - - 7,254,000 tons

In no previous year had the enormous potentialities of Canadian Agriculture been so fully demonstrated.

Live Stock Marketings

Compared to the previous year, Cattle slaughterings during 1945 were heavy, while Hog slaughterings were light.

The following table gives the record of Canadian Inspected Slaughterings for the war years.

	Cattle	Hogs
1939 - - - - -	873,000	3,628,000
1940 - - - - -	890,000	5,455,000
1941 - - - - -	1,004,000	6,274,000
1942 - - - - -	970,000	6,196,000
1943 - - - - -	1,021,000	7,174,000
1944 - - - - -	1,354,000	8,766,000
1945 - - - - -	1,820,000	5,684,000

Examination of this table reveals a striking divergence of trend as between Cattle and Hog deliveries.

In the early war years, Hog marketings increased rapidly:—
from - - - - - 3,628,000 in 1939
to a maximum of 8,766,000 in 1944

An increase of - 5,138,000—142%

Following 1944, a decline set in.

In 1945 the decline was - - - - - 3,082,000 Hogs—35%

This decline has continued in 1946.

To the end of July, the comparison is:—

January to July, inclusive, 1945 - -	3,625,000 Hogs
January to July, inclusive, 1946 - -	2,601,000 Hogs
Decrease 1945 to 1946 - - - -	1,024,000 Hogs—28%
Decrease 1944 to 1946 - - - -	3,049,000 Hogs—54%

Cattle marketings, on the other hand, in the early war years increased slowly.

By 1944 the increase (as compared to 1939) was - - - - - 55%

However, in 1945 inspected slaughterings of Cattle reached an all-time high, viz. - - - - - 1,820,000 head

This was an increase over 1944 of - - - - - 34%
and an increase over 1939 of - - - - - 109%

In retrospect, this variation in trend (as between Cattle and Hog production) is easy to understand.

In the early war years, the pressure in respect of live stock production was to increase Hog numbers. When Britain's supplies of Bacon from Europe were cut off (in June, 1940), Canada became the sole external source of supply for Wiltshire Sides.

Canadian Farmers were urged to produce every Hog possible.

A further factor counted heavily. On Canadian farms, and in Canadian elevators, was stored a vast quantity of grain,—wheat, oats, barley,—for which no cash market existed. The only way in which this grain could be converted to cash, was through the medium of live stock.

Moreover, in those years, Hogs brought back to the Farmer a higher return for the grain fed than did other forms of live stock.

This combination of factors culminated in the phenomenal Hog marketings of 1944.

However, by the middle of 1944, the reserves of grain had been much reduced. There was not enough feed in the country to continue Hog production on the scale of that year. Moreover, an eager demand had sprung up in United States (at high prices) for every bushel of feed grain which Canada was willing to let go.

By this time, the swing towards Cattle production had already set in. For Cattle could be produced (relatively) with little grain. They could be fattened on the grass in Summer and carried over the Winter on 'roughage'—hay, straw, and corn stalks.

Moreover, by 1944, Cattle prices had caught up with Hog prices. Cattle were bringing back to the Farmer a return equal to or better than that for Hogs.

And the final and decisive factor was that the labour involved in raising Cattle was much less than that required for Hogs. Hogs had to be fed twice daily—365 days of the year. On the other hand, Cattle could be turned on to the pastures in Summer, and roughed in Winter.

By 1944 the Farmer was feeling the strain of the war effort. In response to constant appeals, he had enormously increased production, in spite of the fact that farm manpower had been reduced more than 20 per cent. And he naturally swung to the less laborious form of live stock production.

The result has been that, at the present time, Cattle marketings are at an all-time high, whereas Hog marketings for the first seven months of 1946, while still 46% above those of 1939, are 54% below the peak of 1944.

This reversal in trend, as between Cattle and Hog production, was natural.

But it carries a hazard to the long-term interest of Canadian Agriculture which the Farmer should have very much in mind.

For Hogs and not Cattle are the keystone of Canada's Live Stock Industry.

This statement is based upon fundamental economic factors.

Canada can produce Hogs in competition with the world. And she cannot so produce Cattle.

Canada is a country of vast agricultural areas, and relatively sparse population. She produces, and must continue to produce, a great agricultural surplus.

More than upon any other factor, her economic welfare depends upon the prosperity of her Agriculture.

And the prosperity of her Agriculture depends upon marketing the 'surplus' through the medium of those products

(a) for which an adequate world market exists:

(b) for which the world price will return a profit to the Canadian producer.

Those products are determined by Canada's soil, climate and geography. In the main, they are Wheat and Bacon.

In the past (particularly in the 1920's) Canada has at times sought to market her surplus almost entirely in the form of Wheat.

This policy brought disaster, because the world market could not absorb all of her Wheat. And, though for the moment the demand is unlimited, it would eventually bring disaster again.

But world markets will absorb Canada's total agricultural surplus if presented chiefly in the form of Wheat plus Bacon.

For Bacon, the open market of the world is Great Britain.

For sixty years Canada has had a place in the British Bacon Market, but never better than second place,—and often worse.

The circumstances of the war have placed her at the moment in undisputed first position. And the maintenance of that position should be the main objective of Canadian agricultural policy.

Is this objective attainable?

The answer is:—Yes, but not without a careful and intelligent long-term plan. Such a plan must include:—

1. Constant improvement of the quality of Canadian Hogs. Much has been accomplished, but much remains to be done.
2. Improvement of methods of husbandry;—to produce Hogs at the lowest possible cost. In this the chief factor is the feeding of a balanced ration.
3. To increase production to a level—
 - (a) which can be maintained year by year;
 - (b) which will permit exports to Britain in quantities sufficient to maintain Canada as her chief source of supply.
4. To send the Bacon forward in even week-to-week shipments. The Canadian Meat Board has already proved that this can be done, a fact never before demonstrated.

Of this programme the first and fundamental step is to reverse the trend of the last two years, and restore Hog production to an adequate level. That level should be such as to supply Canadian requirements of Pork products and, in addition, provide shipments to Great Britain of 400/500 million pounds yearly.

Prospect for Cattle Prices

Cattle marketings are now at an all-time high.

Does it follow, (from the argument of the preceding section), that in respect of Cattle production Canada is now in an unsafe position? Not, at any rate, for three years. The Minister of Agriculture has indicated in Parliament (March 26th, 1946) that the United Kingdom will require all the Beef which Canada can spare in 1946 and 1947 and probably in 1948, and that discussions were continuing for the extension of the current contract to the end of 1947.

However, Canadian Beef can not hold a permanent place in the British market. For Canada can not produce Cattle in competition with South America and Australasia.

At some date, it seems likely that the pre-war situation will be restored, when two outlets only will be available for Canadian Cattle—

1. The domestic Beef market.
2. An outlet for a limited number of Cattle in United States.

The domestic market will be a much broader one than in the pre-war period. In the last three years consumption of Beef in Canada has averaged 64½ lbs. per capita per annum.

The corresponding figure for the three pre-war years was 55 lbs. This increase in domestic consumption amounts to 112,000,000 lbs. yearly, equivalent to approximately 240,000 Cattle.

And a still further expansion of the domestic market is possible, through a programme of co-operation between Producers and Packers.

The outlet in United States is restricted but most valuable. And it is hoped that when the time arrives to renew the (now suspended) trade agreement, an increase in this movement may be arranged.

On the whole, the near-term outlook for Cattle prices in Canada is more promising than in any preceding 'peace' period.

For the long future, however, the big fact is that Hogs and not Cattle are the livestock medium through which Canada's surplus must be cleared.

Since the close of the war, efficiency of plant operations has steadily improved. This has been due chiefly to the return to employment of experienced workmen following release from the Armed Forces. An important additional factor has been the attitude of co-operation which has replaced the somewhat disturbed atmosphere of the war period.

For this, the officers of the Company wish to express their thanks and appreciation to employees of all ranks.

As in previous years, an important share of the profits was distributed to employees in the form of Bonus.

The sum distributed at the year end was - - - - - \$1,200,000
That this was a substantial distribution is evident from comparison with the following figures:—

Net Profit was - - - - -	\$1,816,781
Dividends to Shareholders were - - - - -	\$1,000,000
Since the policy of Bonus distribution was begun (11 years ago), total distribution has been - - - - -	\$7,368,000

J. S. McLEAN,

Toronto, August 23rd, 1946.

President.

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A.F.A. NOTES

By JAS. R. McFALL, Secretary

Beef Prices.—At a Board Meeting of the Alberta Federation of Agriculture held in Edmonton last month consideration was given to the question of beef prices. At that time the ceiling on Red and Blue Brand beef was \$21.25 and \$20.25 respectively, but there was no assurance that this price would apply to meat purchased by the Meat Board for export. Announcement has now been made that the Meat Board floor price will be raised to a point where it is a quarter of a cent a pound below the wholesale ceilings, that is \$21.00 for Red Brand and \$20.00 for Blue Brand in this zone.

The feeder, however, is still in the dark as to what prices will prevail in the Spring. The domestic market is assured, but contracts with Britain expire at the end of 1946. This fact has been pointed out to Mr. Gardiner and members of the Meat Board and a statement requested to clarify the situation.

Mr. Gardiner is now in the United Kingdom, and it is expected that a new beef contract will be negotiated for 1947. Until such a contract is announced and prices set for export beef, long range planning is out of the question and many feeder buyers will be kept off the market.

Wild Ducks Damaging Crops.

Complaints of wild ducks damaging crops have been received by the Department of Lands and Mines. Under the Game Act, protection is provided from such marauders. The owner or occupant of land having cereal crops growing or in stocks may shoot ducks which are causing serious damage to such crops. If he is unable to cope with the situation himself, he may allow other persons to aid in the shooting. In such an event, however, the Game Branch of the Department of Lands and Mines must be notified and names and addresses given of

those persons assisting; also the location of the land.

A warning in this connection has been sounded. Evidently this general permit to farmers was abused last year, and if it is found that people are being allowed to shoot where no injury to crops has occurred, action will be taken.

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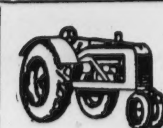
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